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Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of (now canceled) claim 3.

In addition, claim 1 has been amended to make a few minor grammatical improvements, and claim 4 has been amended to better accord with amended independent claim 1.

No new matter has been added, and it is respectfully requested that the amendments to claims 1 and 4 be approved and entered.

THE PRIOR ART REJECTION

Claims 1-5 were rejected under 35 USC 103 as being obvious in view of the combination of the admitted prior art of Figs. 1-3 (and the description thereof in the specification) and USP 6,088,244 ("Shioya et al"). This rejection, however, is respectfully traversed with respect to the claims as amended hereinabove.

Although the Examiner rejected claims 1 through 5 in view of the combination of the admitted prior art and Shioya et al, the

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Examiner has not identified any features in the admitted prior art or Shioya et al as specifically corresponding to the features of the present invention recited in original claims 2-5.

And it is respectfully submitted that neither the admitted prior art of Figs. 1-3 nor Shioya et al discloses, teaches or suggests that the primary side detection circuit comprises a voltage detection circuit for detecting a voltage that is induced in an auxiliary winding of said transformer when the photocoupler is turned off, as recited in original claims 3 and 5, and as now recited in amended independent claim 1.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the present invention as recited in amended independent claim 1, and claims 2 and 4 depending therefrom, clearly patentably distinguishes over the combination of the admitted prior art and Shioya et al, under 35 USC 103.

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In view of the foregoing, entry of this Amendment, allowance of the claims and the passing of this application to issue are respectfully solicited.

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If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,

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